Regular meeting of the Common Council was called to order by Mayor Meyer at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers, City Hall Plaza.

PRESENT: Michael Feirer, Alanna Feddick, Dave LaFontaine, Scott Noble, Ed Wagner, Josh Hansen, Donald Krueger, John Spiros, Tom Buttke and Pete Hendler.

ABSENT: None

The flag was saluted and the pledge given.

Invocation was given by Pastor Mark Krueger, Christ Lutheran Church.

Employee Milestone Recognition

Jim Meyer, Fire and Rescue	January 5, 2004	5 years of service
Jim Cramm, Police Department	January 9, 1989	20 years of service
Dan Mrotek, Wastewater Utility	January 24, 1979	30 years of service

<u>CC09-001</u> Motion by Spiros, second by Hendler to approve the minutes of the Common Council meeting of December 23, 2008. All Ayes

Motion carried

No items were added to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The following individuals spoke about the Fire Station Project:

- 1. William Penker of 600 S. Sycamore Avenue. There is no question that a new facility is both a want and a need on the part of the Marshfield Fire Department. A state of the art facility can also serve as an adjunct to local economic development efforts and within the current market place an extensive construction project if bid locally or regionally could also be not just an adjunct but a contributor to the local economy. He has always urged the Common Council to balance wants and needs against the finite ability of the public to pay. He is concerned about how the local taxpayer will pay for this project. However the City does have a site, structure and land that is marketable. What is the potential for sale and reuse of this property? What value could development of that site add to the tax role and what is the potential offset that sale of the site could provide to the project? He has seen the members of the Fire Department work on specification driven projects. They do an excellent job. They are thorough, analytical and brutally honest. Let's view them as assets. He urged the Common Council to listen to them, talk to them, debate with them and then produce their conclusions. As the Council discusses this matter, they should be objective and reasoned. Produce for the citizens of Marshfield the best possible package to support a high quality, 21st century emergency service.
- 2. Duane Schueller of 1106 Onstad Drive. He submitted a list of questions that he would like answers to. When building the fire station keep the taxpayers in mind. Yes, the economy is bad and yes, we do need a new fire station. He is not against a fire station. But we need to know what we can afford to build.
- 3. Paul Waterman of 1126 Onstad Drive. He is in favor of a new fire station being built. His concern is about the cost of the project and keeping the residents informed on what is going on.

A report on Sustainable Marshfield Committee activities for 2008 was presented by Marty Anderson, Chairperson.

Mayor Meyer reminded everybody that the deer hunt in the City of Marshfield is moving forward. The plan is to start a hunt on January 19, 2009 through sometime in February.

MINUTES OF GOVERNING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

<u>CC09-002</u> Motion by LaFontaine, second by Feirer to receive and place on file the minutes of the Community Development Authority of December 4, 2008 and Library Board of December 9, 2008. All Ayes

Motion carried

MINUTES OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES

<u>CC09-003</u> Motion by Feirer, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Board of Public Works of January 5, 2009. All Ayes

Motion carried

<u>CC09-004</u> Motion by Hendler, second by Spiros to approve the minutes of the Finance, Budget and Personnel Committee of January 6, 2009. All Ayes

Motion carried

<u>CC09-005</u> Motion by Feddick, second by Wagner to approve the minutes of the Judiciary, License and Cemetery Committee of January 6, 2009. All Ayes

Motion carried

MINUTES OF COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

<u>CC09-006</u> Motion by Feddick, second by LaFontaine to receive and place on file the minutes of the Central Wisconsin State Fair Board of November 17, 2008 and Main Street Marshfield Board of Directors of December 3, 2008. All Ayes

Motion carried

<u>Second reading of Ordinance No. 1147</u>, prohibiting deer drives within the corporate limits of the City of Marshfield.

<u>CC09-007</u> Motion by Feirer, second by Buttke to approve Ordinance No. 1147. All Ayes **Motion carried**

<u>CC09-008</u> Motion by Spiros, second by Hendler to approve Resolution No. 2009-01, directing City staff to take all necessary steps to petition the Office of the Commissioner of Railroads for establishment of a new railroad crossing of Mallard Avenue with the tracks of the Texsand Distributors, LP in the City of Marshfield. All Ayes

Motion carried

<u>CC09-009</u> Motion by Wagner, second by Feirer to approve Resolution No. 2009-02, relocation order for Mallard Avenue and East 34th Street in Yellowstone Industrial Park. All Ayes **Motion carried**

<u>CC09-010</u> Motion by Feddick, second by LaFontaine to approve Resolution No. 2009-03, combining municipal wards for voting purposes in the City of Marshfield for the February 17, 2009 spring primary. All Ayes

Motion carried

<u>CC09-011</u> Motion by Hendler, second by Buttke to approve Budget Resolution No. 01-2009, transferring \$232,210 from a FEMA Assistance to Firefighter Grant to the Protective Services Fund and \$12,222 from the General Fund contingency to the Protective Service Fund Fire Protection budget to allow the Marshfield Fire & Rescue Department to upgrade SCBA equipment as well as provide the needed compressors and cascade systems to supply this equipment. All Ayes **Motion carried**

<u>CC09-012</u> Motion by Hendler, second by Buttke to approve the following Alderpersons to serve on the Capital Improvement Program Administrative Committee; Alderpersons LaFontaine, Wagner Spiros and Noble. All Ayes

Motion carried

<u>CC09-013</u> Motion by Feddick, second by Hendler to authorize the City Administrator to send a written Notice of Default to Goldridge Group, LLP. All Ayes

Motion carried

An update on the Fire Station Project was presented by Fire Chief Schmidt and Ed Mishefske and Steve Gausman from Short, Elliott Hendrickson, Inc. (SEH).

The Ground Rules

- The building design must solve the existing deficiencies.
- The new design must consider future growth.
- If possible, the look of the station should reflect the community history and style.
- The preferred selected site should be one in the category of "less than \$600,000 in assessed evaluation".
- The fire station must be within the parameters established by the Board of Public Works and City Council.
- While there is no budget established, costs will ultimately decide the scope of the building.

The Process

- Chief Schmidt established a "Building Committee"
- The committee reviewed existing building issues.
- Site visits to other new fire stations are conducted.
- The space programming process began.
- The potential of the existing building is discussed.
- Alternative site possibilities are established and agreed to for further consideration.
- The committee ranked the proposed sites.
- The program statement is transferred into a schematic design.
- The schematic design is approved by the committee.
- The building footprint is established on the recommended site.
- The committee discussed LEED criteria for the building.

Space Programming

- 25% of total space includes circulation spaces such as hallways, walls, etc.
- Initial review totaled 31,497 sq. ft.
- SEH and the building committee reduced the square footage to 26,192 sq. ft. The goal was to have the square foot less than the average of main fire stations, 26,983 sq. ft. as published by Fire Chief Magazine.
- Net changes resulted in anticipated savings of \$980,000.

Review of Existing Fire Station

- Remodeling is not recommended.
- Use of any existing spaces is not recommended.
- Use of existing site as the future site is not recommended.

Total project costs, not including site acquisition, site demolition, and FF & E is \$5,455,600.

CC09-014 Motion by Spiros, second by Buttke to go into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, chapter 19.85 (1)(e) deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. Specifically the City Administrator had requested a closed session to discuss 1) draft developer agreement for the development and expansion of TIF No. 8; and 2) purchase of land within the authorized boundaries required for expanding the existing fire station or construction of a new fire station (fire station site selection). Roll call vote; All Ayes. (Time: 9:03 p.m.)

Motion carried

<u>Present in closed session</u>: Alderpersons Feirer, Feddick, LaFontaine, Noble, Wagner, Hansen, Krueger, Spiros, Buttke and Hendler, Administrator Brehm, Mayor Meyer, City Attorney Hutchinson, City Clerk Hall, Director of Planning and Economic Development Angell, Director of Public Works Knoeck, City Engineer Turchi and Finance Director Strey.

Ed Mishefske and Steve Gausman from SEH, Police Chief Stroik, Fire Chief Schmidt, Fire and Police Commissioners Lenard, Frankland, Peck and Gershman, Deputy Fire Chiefs Erickson and DeGrand, Firefighters Clements, Jozwiak, Breuer, Lucarelli and Schad. This group left the closed session at 9:45 p.m.

<u>CC09-015</u> Motion by Krueger, second by Spiros to return to open session. Roll call vote; All Ayes. (Time: 10:10 p.m.)

Motion carried

No action was taken in open session regarding the closed session items.

Motion by Spiros, second by Noble to adjourn at 10:11 p.m.

Motion Carried

Deb M. Hall City Clerk